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AMENDMENTS

In the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

- 1-10. (Canceled)
- 11. (Currently Amended) A dyeing device for dyeing a plastic lens, comprising:
- a heating furnace comprising a frame section forming a space within the heating furnace and a cooling mechanism in a position corresponding to a portion of the lens within the heating furnace the space formed by the frame section; wherein the cooling mechanism is separated from the frame section in a position corresponding to a portion of the lens within the frame section not requiring coloration;
 - a heating section provided within the frame section;
- an openable insertion port for allowing insertion of the lens provided on or near a bottom surface of the frame section;
 - a lens-holding mechanism for holding the lens; and
- a lens-moving mechanism for <u>vertically</u> moving the lens-holding mechanism to insert all or a part of the lens from the insertion port into an interior portion of the heating furnace.
 - 12. (Canceled)
- 13. (Previously Presented) The dyeing device for dyeing a plastic lens of claim 11, wherein the lens-moving mechanism further comprises a device for controlling the insertion position of the lens into the interior portion of the furnace.
- 14. (Previously Presented) The dyeing device for dyeing a plastic lens of claim 11, further comprising a device for controlling a temperature distribution within the heating section so as to produce a half-dyed lens.

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15. (Previously Presented) The dyeing device for dyeing a plastic lens of claim 11, further comprising a device for controlling the heating of the lens so as to produce a variation in coloration in the lens.

- 16. (Previously Presented) A dyeing device for dyeing a plastic lens, comprising:
- a heating furnace comprising a frame section forming a space within the heating furnace;
- a heating section provided within the frame section;

an openable insertion port for allowing insertion of the lens provided on or near a bottom surface of the frame section;

- a lens-holding mechanism for holding the lens; and
- a lens-moving mechanism for moving the lens-holding mechanism to insert all or a part of the lens from the insertion port into an interior portion of the heating furnace,

wherein the lens-moving mechanism is configured to move the lens in a vertical direction while the lens is in the heating section, and

wherein the heating furnace further comprises a cooling mechanism in a position corresponding to a portion of the lens within the frame section not requiring coloration.

- 17. (Previously Presented) A dyeing device for dyeing a plastic lens, comprising:
- a heating furnace comprising a frame section forming a space within the heating furnace;
- a heating section provided within the frame section;
- an openable insertion port for allowing insertion of the lens provided on or near a bottom surface of the frame section;
 - a lens-holding mechanism for holding the lens;
- a lens-moving mechanism for moving the lens-holding mechanism to insert all or a part of the lens from the insertion port into an interior portion of the heating furnace; and
- a device for setting a temperature distribution state within the heating furnace such that the temperature increases from the vicinity of the insertion port toward the inside of the frame section,

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wherein the heating furnace further comprises a cooling mechanism in a position corresponding to a portion of the lens within the frame section not requiring coloration.

18-19. (Canceled)